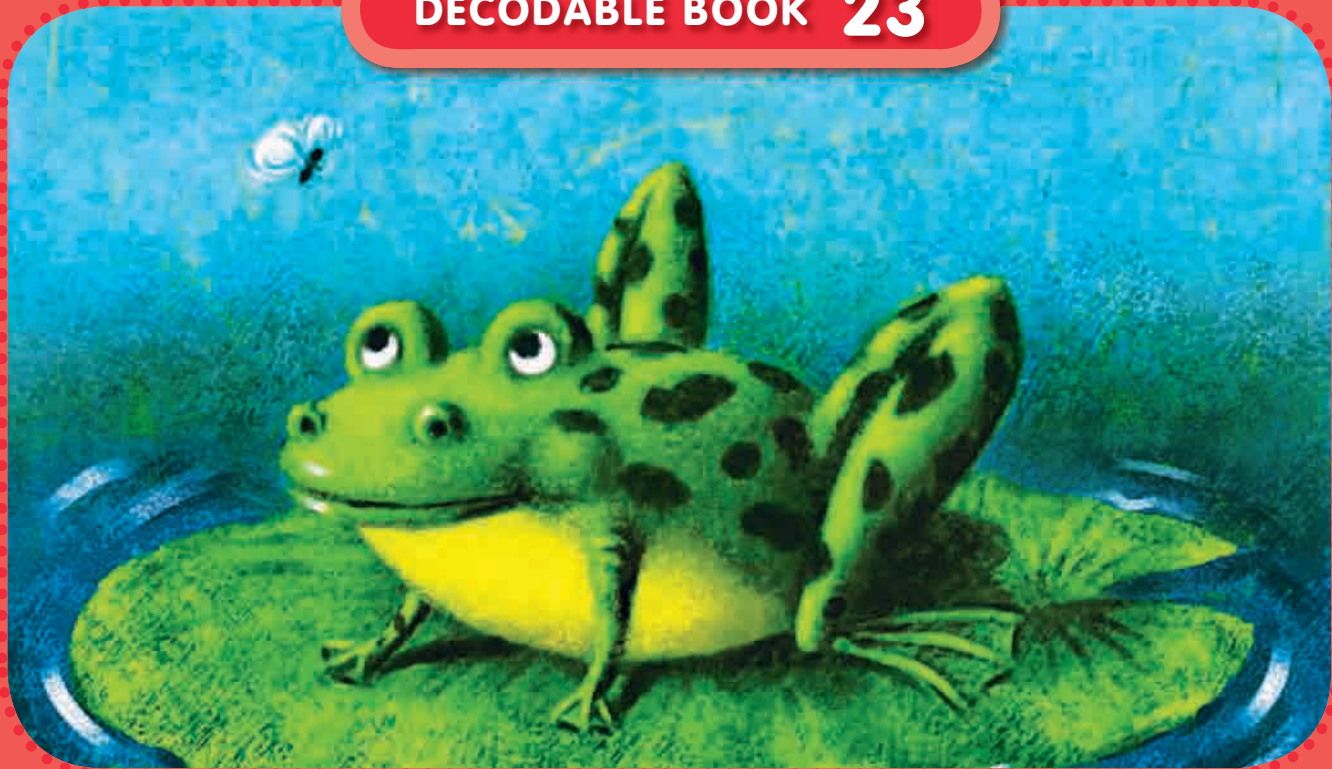


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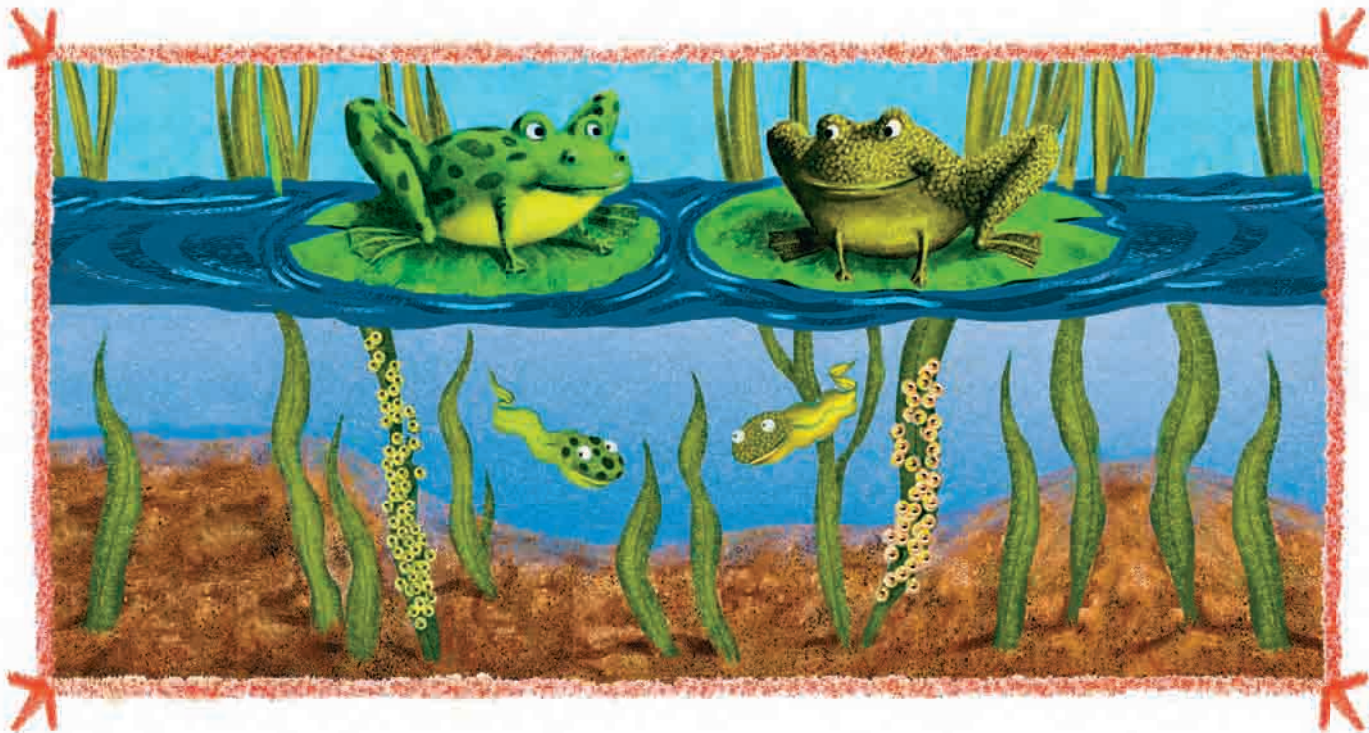
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Cole Frog and Jerome Toad became pals
back when they were little tadpoles.



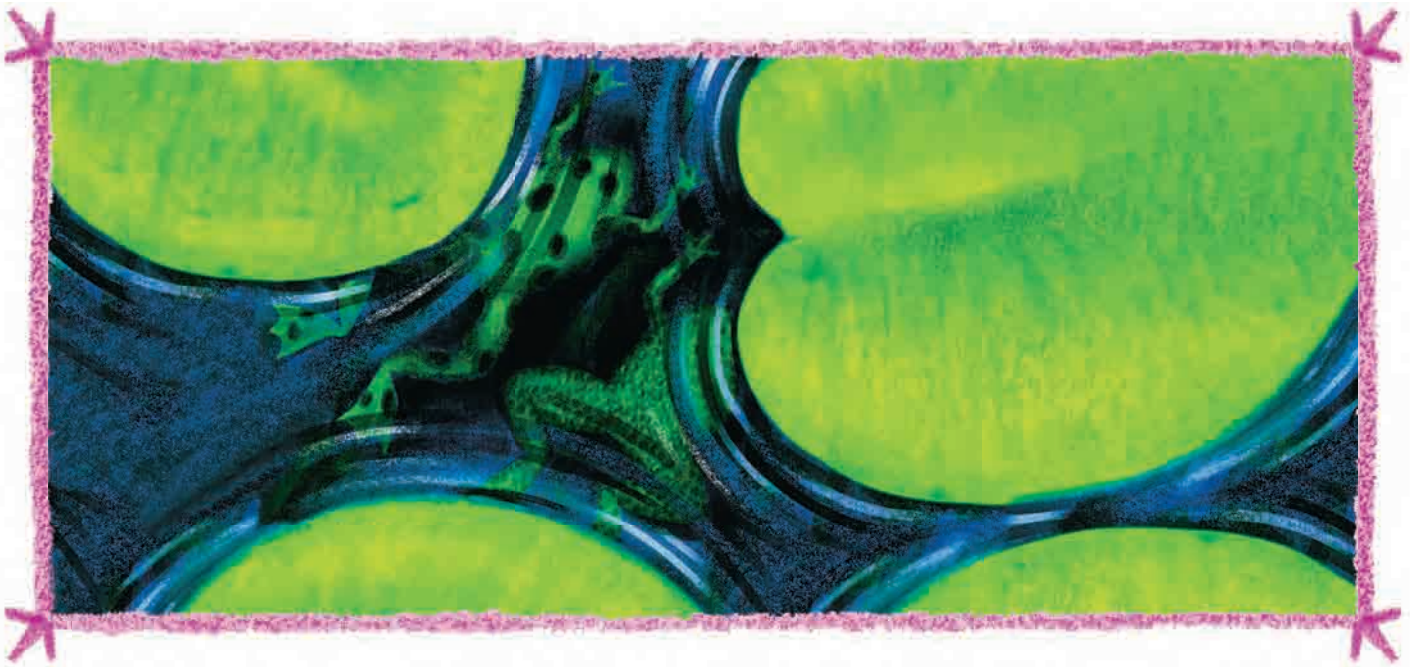
All tadpoles hatch from eggs. Those eggs are so small, they seem like dots.



Little tadpoles hatch out of the floating eggs. Cole and Jerome were hatched in the same cove.



One day, as the tadpoles dove away from a minnow seeking a meal, Cole and Jerome came nose to nose. They became pals then.



Note how much Cole and Jerome have grown! Cole has legs and so does Jerome. Gills became lungs. They no longer have tails.



Cole and Jerome eat the same meals of insects and slugs.



Plop! Plunk! Cole and Jerome jump in the cove to soak and croak out songs that are sweet and low — at least to them!

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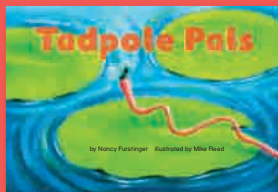
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